



## **Federal Emergency Management Agency**

### **Lynn Gilmore Canton: Executive Director**

Lynn Gilmore Canton was appointed Executive Director for FEMA in June 2000. In this new position, she is responsible for overseeing the agency's personnel and management issues, employee development diversity, labor partnership and strategic planning. Prior to this appointment, Ms. Canton was Regional Director of FEMA's Region 2. In that position, she coordinated mitigation, preparedness and disaster response and recovery activities in: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Prior to joining FEMA, Ms. Canton served as Executive Director of the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development for the Department of Economic Development of New York State. While in that post, Ms. Canton also served as chair of the New York State Affirmative Action Advisory Council and of the Task Force on the Status of Women in the New York State Department of Economic Development. Earlier in her career, Ms. Canton served as a member of the New York State Board of Parole and worked for the State Division for Youth, the Executive Chamber and the Division of Budget.

Ms. Canton has taught college and graduate level courses at the State University of New York at Albany in the Women's Studies Department and the Center for Women in Government. She is a member of the National Emergency Management Association and the State Association of Public Administrators.

A native of Buffalo, New York, she holds a B.A. in African American studies and an M.S. in Education from the State University of New York at Albany.

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